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108. (Amend d) The method of claim 94, 97 or 99, wherein the morphogen is human OP-1, mouse OP-1, human OP-2, mouse OP-2, BMP5, and or BMP6.

REMARKS

Pursuant to a telephone interview with the Examiner on April 23, 2003, Applicants were informed by the Examiner that all pending claims are allowable in the instant application. Since claim 91 overlaps in scope with claims in the co-pending and co-owned application U.S.S.N. 08/260,675, filed on June 16, 1994, Applicants wish to shift the election to Group II claims 97, 99. Applicants have amended dependent claims 105-108 to eliminate their dependency on claim 91. Claim 91 is canceled in favor of the issuance of a claim of similar scope in the co-pending application U.S.S.N. 08/260,675.

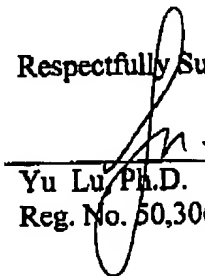
CONCLUSION

In view of the foregoing amendments and remarks, Applicants submit that the pending claims are in condition for allowance. Early and favorable reconsideration is respectfully solicited. The Examiner may address any questions raised by this submission to the undersigned at 617-951-7000. Should an extension of time be required, Applicants hereby petition for same and request that the extension fee and any other fee required for timely consideration of this submission be charged to Deposit Account No. 18-1945.

Respectfully Submitted,

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